Significant Immigration Figures From Mr. Straus.

WILL NOT DRAW UP BILLS

Cabinet Officers Will Not Do So Unless Officially Asked.

THE GUILD-TAFT COMBINATION

The Governor Denies That There Is Any Deal With Secretary or His Managers.

Secretary Strauss today laid before the President, at the cabinet session, some immigration figures be considers of significance. The first of these show that the immigration of Japanese to this country has taken a tremendous slump. In

great increase. For the months of strong following. or European ports was filled during No- of the situation.

just themselves to conditions. There is for Foraker. no fixity in arrivals or departures.

Won't Draw Up Bills.

In view of the extreme touchiness of Congress as to alleged executive interference, as demonstrated in a practical eral Bonaparte, it appears, has been requested to prepare several bills dealing this being due to the fact that congress-

The cabinet officers reached the conclusion that to accede to the requests would no opportunity has been given for such a taken up.

No Guild and Taft Combination.

no deal with the Taft forces to become Kelley of the democratic central committhe running mate of the Ohioan. He said tee of the District announced last night so at the White House today when asked that a number of prominent local demoabout stories that he has been approached crats will be candidates for election as or has received some offer. The governor delegates to the democratic national coninet was assembling. He paid his re- will not call a meeting of the commitspects, had a brief chat and then walked away with a friend toward the War De- held until July. At the last national partment. There have been all sorts of democratic convention there was a constories as to the Taft people dickering testing delegation from the District second man on their ticket, the idea being that this would give Taft great strength mance of Bryan sentiment among local democrats. with the governor to have him become the in New England. In reply to requests for a statement Gov. Guild said:

There is no truth whatever in any statement that any agreement, deal, dicker or understanding of any kind has been made between the Secretary of War

stand it, are advocating his nomination by a sheer appeal to the people on his merits and achievements, and not by any combination or deal of any kind whatever. asked by the people of Massachusetts to to complicate it with a contest in regard conventions.

to the presidency. solutely on the selection of President, and vention. the nomination for Vice President must naturally be of some person who will best supplement in strength the choice for the

head of the ticket. 'Massachusetts has not been honored with a place on the national ticket for a generation. I do not know whether there

"It is naturally pleasing to any man my duty to neglect work at the state

louse by entering into any contest of the haracter proposed.'

Guild's friends, though, that if, in the at-arms, and James Wood, assistant. tion for Vice President were to come to Addresses were made by Walter Win- quilts, doilies, center pieces, whole exraordinary appropriations \$723,072. him as a recognition of the party in field. James O. Holmes and J. H. B. dresses and thence through the gamut of The Commissioners showed in their an Massachusetts, as well of his own per- Smallwood. A committee was sonal fitness for the great office, it would to arrange for a mass meeting of the

not be lightly regarded. Appeals to the Great White Father. of the city to be held next week in True Reformers' Hall, 12th and U strets north- Eleven Additional Patients Taken to

There was a little incident at the White west. House today that reminded officials of the solemn visits of Indians to the President, universally known among them as the Great White Father. The President Of the Eleven Received for Dirigible veloped during the past forty-eight hours. was called upon to listen to a committee from the town of New Castle, N. H., with a steady population of about 400 in winter by the signal office for the construction and a greater number in summer. The War Department is about to construct near New Castle some barracks for troops quartered at Forts Stark and Constitu-

A mass meeting was held and red-hot resolutions were passed that the erection of the barracks at that point would desecrate the most profitable part of the burg. A committee, consisting of Robert burg. A committee, consisting of Robert tion of the bids at all. An a li. Harding, William I. Heyward, Andrew be annoted in a day or two. the President. The committee was escort, some days ago, the signal office gave an cases of this disease have developed since ed to the executive offices by Senators Gal- opportunity to the only three of the January 1 last. binger and Burnham and Representatives forty-one bidders whose plans came up to the specifications to construct a machine. dent listened to the whole sad story, l'ustrated by well-drawn maps. The

Arizona and the Presidency. Gov. Curry of New Mexico were both at the White House today. Gov. Kibbey was with the President a cort time. Asked about the preference of the republicans of the territory for the presidential nomina-tion, he said: "I think there is no doubt that the delegates will be for Secretary Taft. The people seem to favor him. There is a most kindly feeling for Senator Foraker, though, due to his attitude on he statehood proposition. I think this guest of Col. Kilbourne, at whose home gratitude will be expressed in some other way than in support for the presidential

Secretary Loeb is confined to his home

INTEREST IN THE PRIMARIES

REPUBLICANS GETTING READY FOR "THE ELECTION."

Delegates to Be Chosen to the National Convention-Democrats Also Active.

the month of January the total arrivals in the spring, at which delegates to the idency and former Attorney General Jud- the same time the temperature was down of Japanese in both Hawaii and the Chicago national convention will be son Harmon of Cincinnati for the vice around zero. I immediately applied to the mainland of the country were 971, as selected, is becoming intensified with presidency. This is the statement of many compared with about 5,000 for the same each passing day. Hardly twenty-four month a year ago. Secretary Straus hours go by now that some one of the meeting of the committee. made no attempt to furnish an explana- many republican organizations in tion for the great falling off. It is pre- Washington does not hold a meeting the state are here to attend the "dollar sumed, though, that the Japanese govern- either to discuss the situation in gen- dinner" at Memorial Hall this evening, ment is at the bottom of the big decrease, eral or to indorse some candidate in having come to the conclusion that the particular. There have been a number lature this afternoon, by special invita-Japanese question, on the Pacific coast at of interesting developments of late, and tion, on the Oklahoma plan for guaranleast, was being kept alive by the heavy present indications are that there will teeing bank deposits. be a brisk contest between the Taft The immigration of all other countries supporters, the anti-Taft advocates and has likewise taken a great tumble, "The the colored representatives, practically figures show," said Secretary Straus, every one of whom is a Foraker man. "that the total immigration to the United National Bank, who recently announced States in January was about 27.000, as himself as a candidate for the honor compared with 54,000 in January one year of representing the republican conago, a decrease of 50 per cent. The emi-stituency of the District at the Chicago gration from the United States also shows national convention, is certain to have a

July, August, September and October, Mr. Flather has been importuned a for which we have figures at this time. great deal during the past few days to about 190,000 people left the United States, name the presidental candidate whom he while 465,000 came in." For the months favors above all others. But, Mr. Flath- Catholic University of America to recover of November, December, January and er, believing the republican delegates \$200,000 on the bond of the late Thomas them much attention while neglecting us February the emigration is expected to from the District should go to the nashow a still greater ratio as compared to tional convention unhampered by instrucimmigration, as every outgoing steamer tions, has declined to discuss this phase

vember and December, accommodations Among the other candidates, each of having to be arranged for much in ad- whom, it is stated, has a large following, are Hopewell H. Darneille, Gen. Andrew When asked what conclusion he drew S. Burt, Col. W. S. Odell, John W. Patmigration and emigration are much like Wilder and R. R. Horner. Dr. Wilder, it affairs in the business world. They ad- will be recalled, has announced himself

Conference Held.

A conference of the United Republican Clubs of the District met at Foster's Hall. Foster vice chairman, J. Ottoway Holmes of cabinet officers to draw up bills at the by those named and by Attorneys Wright execution of the bond. request of congressmen. Attorney Gen- and Smith. Every mention of the name of Senator Foraker was received with wild will appeal from the order directing a verapplause.

A number of citizens of Ivy City, D. C., with subjects in some of which the ad- met in Trinity Church last night and or- rad represented the defendant. Attorministration is interested. Other cabinet ganized a J. B. Foraker Republican Club, neys Hamilton, Colbert, Yerkes & Hamilconsisting of fifty-eight members at the ton appeared for the university. start. These permanent officers were elected: J. G. Turley, president; J. P. men know that departments have facilities Johnson, secretary; Bennett Pendleton, treasurer; R. D. Carter, sergeant-at-arms, and A. B. Wesley, J. H. Brown and J. G. Bankers' Life Insurance Company Turley, members of the advisory commit-

A. B. Wesley, the principal speaker of be to put them in the position of fathering the evening, urged a united effort on the the measure. The decision does not ap- part of members of the club to secure a ply to requests from committees of Con- delegation from the District instructed gress, officially made. These will be hon- for Senator Foraker for the republican ored, so far as possible. Last year, dur- nomination for the presidency. After drawn by the Attorney General, at the February 24, when the question of inrequest of the President. So far this year dorsing candidates for delegates will be

Plans of Democrats.

Things are warming up emong the Gov. Curtis Guild of Massachusetts is in local democrats also. Chairman J. Fred vention in Denver, July 7. Mr. Kelley tee just yet, however, in view of the fact Popular Display at Store of S. Kann, This year there seems to be a predomi-

Since 1880 it has been the custom for the local central committee, which has twenty-two members, to arrange for the primaries at which delegates are elected to the District convention where the six delegates to the national convention are

"Secretary Taft's friends, as I under- Action by Union Republican Club. At a recent meeting of the Union Republican Club at Metzerott Hall action store, and with each succeeding year there "I propose to take no part whatever in Senator Gallinger for the proper registrathe canvass for delegates. I have been tion of voters and the conduct of the attend to legislation for Massachusetts in election of delegates in the District to the this commonwealth, and I have no right republican and democratic presidential the best designs produced after patterns The club also indorsed the candidacy of

'No man can be a candidate for Vice Gen. Andrew S. Burt and John W. Pat-President. That nomination depends ab- terson as delegates to the Chicago con-Action of United Republican Clubs.

dency of the United States at a con- of the prize winners in a recent compeference of the representatives of the tition in New York. The needlework s any possibility that her loyal service to United Republican Clubs of the city held will be continued for about two weeks, the republican party will or will not be in Foster's Hall, 818 19th street northwest. at the end of which time the names of honored by the selection of any man for last night was cheered to the echo. Ran- the prize winners will be announced and \$5,911,030. dall Bowle of the fifth district presided. the awards made. o receive such flattering encomiums James Foster was elected vice chairman; from fellow Americans in other states, J. T. C. Newman of the thirteenth dis- hibition contest this year, and the list inbut I do believe it would be exceeding trict, assistant and corresponding secre-

district, treasurer; James H. B. Small-It is pretty well understood by Gov. wood of the fourteenth district, sergeantmembers of the United Republican Clubs

ONLY TWO PROPOSALS

Balloon Being Considered. But two of the eleven proposals received The department reached the deci- the specifications. This is somewhat sursion to place the barracks about half way prising, as it was generally expected that. southwest: Annie Graham, 113 K street between the two forts, which are about profiting by the former experience when southwest; Minnie E. Lee, 609 3d street ritory selected is in a quarter where the all the bids were rejected, more inventors southwest; David Sloan, 1014 Delaware ritory selected is in a quarter where the all the bids were rejected, more inventors avenue southwest: Mary A. Burton, 32 summer visitors leave the most money and would make an effort to come up to the Pierce street northwest; Lydia Houchins, from which the town treasury derives its requirements laid down by the signal 215 3d street southwest; Adeline L. Waroffice. Some of the bidders failed to in- den, 113 F street southwest; Thomas Stu-

B. White and James W. Pridham, was appointed to come here and lay it all before chines, contracts for which were let records of the office show that fifty-four

Gov. Guild at the Capitol.

where they will not interfere with the embassy.

with the town's income from taxation. BRYAN IN COLUMBUS LETTER FROM MR. C. S. NOYES FLEET BY WIRELESS

Gov. Joseph H. Kibbey of Arizona and WILL ADDRESS OHIO LEGISLA-TURE BY SPECIAL INVITATION.

> COLUMBUS, Ohio, February 18.-William J. Bryan arrived here today from Indianapolis. He was met at London by a committee of the Ohio legislature and escorted to Columbus. Here he was the

luncheon was served. A number of democratic representatives and senators were present, as with a bad cold. He was not in his office were also former Gov. Campbell and today. Assistant Secretary Foster was in President Thompson of the Ohio State

University. Mr. Bryan came here by special invitation to address the Ohio legislature this afternoon on "Bank Guarantees." This evening he will speak at Memorial Hall at a "dollar dinner," his subject being "The Point of View.' Democrats from all over the state are here to attend the dinner.

The democratic state central comitee meets here today.

Committee to Indorse Bryan. Special Dispatch to The Star. COLUMBUS, Ohio, February 18.-The democratic state central committee, when it meets here this afternoon, will indorse

of the members of the committee who re-Hundreds of democrats from all over

when Mr. Bryan will speak on "The Point of View." He will address the Ohio legis-

VERDICT FOR ESTATE

DECISION IN SUIT OF CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY.

A verdict in favor of the estate of Dr. E. Waggaman, former treasurer of the Guiana, in which we were placed, was a university.

Justice Wright held that the bond was in the alternative, requiring Waggaman not given the slightest attention to its to account for or pay over the money of with all its defects. the university coming into his hands. paratus was not only completely out of from the figures. Secretary Straus said: terson, Benjamin L. Gaskins, Oscar J. Among the duties of the treasurer was order, but the condition of the roof of They seem to point to the fact that im- Ricketts. W. Calvin Chase, Dr. J. R. the investment of money. The court held the car was so bad that not only curthe tender of the notes made to the university and their acceptance, with the cess to large quantities of coal dust and additional security offered by Wagaman, cinders that spread over the heads and constituted an acounting and relieved the clothing of the passengers. surety from liability.

The bond of Waggaman was excecuted all the bedclothes, blankets, pillows, in by the late Dr. Daniel B. Clarke and fact in everything that could be 818 19th street last night. J. T. C. New- John L. Waggaman as sureties, in the of to prevent freezing, and were bundled son was chosen assistant secretary. Jesse sum of \$200,000. At the beginning of the up all the way, not for hours, but for trial the liability of sureties was re- days, like so many mummies, but all this duced by a ruling of the court to about did not preserve us from harm, and the treasurer, James Wood sergeant-at-arms, and J. H. B. Smallwood assistant all, could only be for money coming into colds began to develop through our sergeant-at-arms. Addresses were made Waggaman's hands subsequently to the ranks. When we reached the Raymond

It is understood the Catholic University dict for the defendant. Attorneys John Selden and Holmes Con-

NOT OUT OF BUSINESS.

Shows Healthy Assets.

NEW YORK, February 18 .- The Bankers' Life Insurance Company, two former for perjury, has, according to an official statement made today, assets of \$1,400,000 ing the railroad rate legislation, a num- passing a resolution indorsing Senator and a surplus to policyholders, as certiber o't bills were credited as having been Foraker the club adjourned to meet again fied by the insurance department July 1 last, of \$123,876.

In a news item of February 13 it was in active business continuously since its organization in 1869. The indictments recently returned are personal to former officials who severed their relations with the management several years ago.

ART NEEDLEWORK.

Sons & Co.

Since the exhibition of art needlework pened at the S. Kann, Sons & Co., store, 7th street and Market Space, yesterday, 'The Busy Corner" has been one of the centers of interest in the shopping world. Hundreds of visitors yesterday crowded the rooms where the exhibit has been arranged, and yet more hundreds were

there today. The giving of a show of art work from the needles of Washington women has been an annual custom with the Kann stimulus to effort and to competition the firm has offered two series of handsome prizes of \$100 each; one series to go to contained in the Ladies' Home Journal and the other series, divided into awards exhibited irrespective of its originality or

source of inspiration. One of the features of the exhibition is the display of about thirty beautiful \$975,000 on account of sinking fund and pieces, sent by the publishers of the La- interest on the old bonded debt, and \$3,-Joseph B. Foraker of Ohio for the presi- dies' Home Journal, and including most show at the S. Kann. Sons & Co. store arately, making a total of \$13,667,266.35.

NEW CASES OF SMALLPOX. the Hospital.

Health Officer Woodward announced today that eleven new cases of smallpox deeach patient being an adult colored person. All were taken to the District smallpox hospital. Four were under observation at the quarantine station; two developed in the northwest section of the city and the remainder in the southwest.

The names of the patients in question are Florence Armstrong, 73 M street

tion showed that in each of the cases the

Fire in Bridgeport Electric Plant. BRIDGEPORT. Conn., February 17 .gutted.

DICTATED FROM HIS SICK BED AT PASADENA, CAL.

He Attributes His Illness to Neglect of Passengers' Comfort by the Santa Fe Failroad Company.

The following letter, just received in this city, was dictated last Wednesday, February 12, by Mr. Crosby S. Noyes, editor of The Star, from his sick bed at Pasadena, Cal., in response to inquiries from the east as to the health of his

"Through the injuries to health and comfort received by our party by the incompetency and gross neglect of the Santa Fe railroad on our trip from Chicago to southern California, commencing January 29, we have all suffered from a collapse, in which I am a victim of an aggravated case of grip, with extreme weakness.

"We left Chicago at 8 p.m. on the 29th, which, it will be remembered, was some days before the blizzard swept across the bay to make ready there for the big fleet. west, partly closing travel and giving The Buffalo is carrying stores, ammunisome excuse for bad service. As soon as tion and targets for Admiral Evans' we pulled out I discovered that there was Interest in the republican primaries William Jennings Bryan for the pres- no heat in our compartments, while at conductors, but they failed to take any notice of the appeal, and later when I sent my card to the chief conductor, asking him to come and see me and see if the request with contemptuous indifference, and the conditions remained the same clear across the continent, from Wednesday evening until the following Saturday, during all of which time the weather was extremely cold.

"Having hitherto considered the Santa Fe road, besides being the most convenent route to the coast, as one that was well conducted and paid attention to the health and comfort of its passengers, I was surprised at the attitude of the officials toward our party. "There was scarcely a vestige of heat

in our compartments, and as we went on even this little disappeared altogether. At the same time it was represented phy. that the forward part of the car, at times, was overheated, so that passengers there objected to any further heat. Daniel B. Clarke was directed by Justice It was also represented that the con-Wright today in the suit filed by the ductors were interested in passengers in the forward part of the car and gave dilapidated old car borrowed from another road, and that the Santa Fe had repair, but had sent it out of Chicago rents of cold air blew through the compartments, but the cracks gave free ac-"We were obliged to wrap ourselves in

> at Pasadena we were in bad shape. The reason for this inexcusable treatment on the part of the railroad can scarcely be imagined. It is not possible that they want, in their crusade against the press, to force the members of that body to cease their criticisms; and again if what seems more probable they are seeking to put on a poor face before the country, seeming to have to reduce expenditures by supplying cheap and dangerous transportation, they make another great mistake. In both cases they are at fault. The press of the country will not be cowed into any disposition to abandon its fair and judicial attitude. On the other hand, the public of the country will not be imposed upon by any railroad

pretense that earnings compel retrenchment in the way of service or in commo civility to passengers. At this time after ten days' serious illness we are still in a hospital condition. Mr. A. W. Hodgdon, so favorably known and esteemed as the manager of the Raymond here and the Samoset at Rockerreneously stated that the company had land, Me., has given us unremitting attention, as has all the Raymond corps. By the aid of capable doctors and nurses we hope to pull through all right, although up to the present there is no marked im-

provement in our condition. CROSBY S. NOYES.

EXPLAIN THEIR ESTIMATES DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS AP-PEAR AT THE CAPITOL.

Heard by Subcommittee of House Committee on Appropri-

ations.

As is their annuan custom, the District Commissioners appeared before the Distee on appropriations today to give James W. Holihan, Jonathan M. Emanreasons for their estimates for the next | uel, Charles H. Manning, William A. H. was taken indorsing the proposition of have been larger numbers of entries and fiscal year. The Commissioners are askmore elaborate articles produced. As a ing for \$13,667,266.35, and it will take them several days to explain to the members of the subcommittee every detail of the budget and advocate their approval. Commissioner West was unable to join Commissioners Macfarland and Morrow of the same size, to go to the best work on this errand because he has not fully recovered from his illness.

These estimates comprise \$10,375,916.35 for ordinary appropriations, including 291,350 for extraordinary projects of improvements, which the Commissioners have recommended shall be treated sep-The estimated revenue of the District of Columbia for the next fiscal year is

The contribution of a like amount by Altogether more than 500 pieces of the United States would make the approneedlework have been entered in the ex- priation fund \$11,822,060, or, \$1,466,000 more than the estimates for the total or cludes everything possible to the most dinary appropriations. If all these orditary; James O. Holmes of the seventeenth skillful stitching. There are pieces galore nary estimates were granted there would of shadow work, of cross stitching, of still remain available of District revenues Wallachian and French embroidery, and for the repayment of advances made by of duchess and point lace, and the de- the United States to the District of Cosigns have been applied to patchwork lumbia to meet its share of the cost of nual report that up to the 1st of July last there had been advanced to them from the United States treasury since 1900 and used for extraordinary improvements \$6.638,971, and that in the six years the District had repaid \$3,361,105.

> Downtown Temperature. The downtown temperature today, as

recorded by Feast & Co.'s thermometer, follows: 9 a.m., 34; 12 noon, 38; 2 p.m.,

Building Permits Issued. Inspector Ashford issued the following

building permits today: To A. R. Taylor, two two-story brick dwellings at 212-214 Elm street northwest; estimated to cost \$6,200; architect. A. H. Sonneman; builder, A. R. Taylor. To E. B. Sherman, one two-story frame the State Department. dwelling at 3021 Macomb street north west; estimated to cost \$4,000; architect E. B. Sherman; builder, John Simpson's

To W. B. Boggs, one one-story frame dwelling at 2426 Irving street northeast; estimated to cost \$1,500; architect, R. A. Beswell; builder, A. T. Howison.

To Repair Break in Cable. The signal office is advised that the cable ship Burnside will leave Seattle for Valdez, Alaska, today to repair the break in the Valdez-Sitka cable about nine miles from the former city. It will the trip through the tortuous channel

the United States land lines.

BATTLESHIPS NOW IN TOUCH WITH PERU.

LIMA, Peru, February 18, 10:50 a.m.-A under Rear Admiral Evans. It is dated

According to the elapsed time and the distance covered since leaving Punta Arenas, February 8, it is evident that the American battleships are proceeding BRING IN GOV. PENNYPACKER Arenas, February 8, it is evident that at the rate of about ten knots an hour At this rate they should reach Callao about midnight of Wednesday. It is probable, however, that they will slow down and enter the harbor early Thursday

Buffalo Sails South. SAN FRANCISCO, February 18 .- The naval auxiliary steamer Buffalo, Capt. C. F. Poni U. S. N., incommand, will leave here tomorrow morning for Magdalena battleships, and also mail for the officers and men. The Buffalo will act as range

Japanese Steamer Off Chile. VALPARAISO, February 18 .- The doings on the coast of Chile of the Japanese something could not be done, he treated steamer Kasato Maru have, in view of the proximity of the American battleship fleet, attracted considerable attention here. The Kasato Maru left Iquique on January 23 and steamed out to sea. Nothing was heard from her until two days small maritime town in Antofagasta tract. province, 140 miles distant from Iquique. The fact that the vessel spent twenty-four days between these two ports leads to the suspicion in some quarters that she has been observing the progress of the Amer ican fleet or studying the Chilean coast in the vicinity of Tocopilla. The Kasato that the famous Huston letter to former Maru is equipped with wireless telegra-

FIRE IN EIFFLE TOWER

WIRELESS TELEGRAPH STATION IS DESTROYED.

Special Cablegram to The Star. PARIS, February 18.-The wireless station on the Eiffel tower was destroyed by fire today.

Great hopes were entertained on the aerial telegraph work the Eiffel tower station would do. The government began the construction of it only last month. It was expected that it would be comparatively easy to communicate from it with ing for 105,250 "feet" of furniture, or tials in the make-up of a good soldier New York, and Lieut, Col. Chales, rector of military telegraphs, said that with the great height of the tower a message should theoretically go around the of the tower is 984 feet. It was built in niture at the rate of \$18.40 "per foot." 1887-89 for amusement purposes, and recently it had been almost decided to pull it down, when the suggestion that it be used for a wireless station was taken up by the government. The destroyed station will be recon-

WOTHERSPOON CONFIRMED. Result of a Five Hours' Debate in

structed.

the Senate. The Senate, after nearly five hours' debate on the nomination of Lieut. Col. W. W. Wotherspoon to be brigadier general, yesterday afternoon voted to confirm. There were only seven votes in opposition. The contest was led by Senator Bulkeley, who spoke against the seniority unless an officer has had such service as would cause the whole country to demand it. He was particularly bitter against what he called the promotion of officers for some one act of herosm when they had not been especially trained for an advanced grade. In the case of Lieut. Col. Wotherspoon, however, there was not a word directed against his record. which was conceded to be such as entitled him to special recognition. Senators Briggs and Du Pont also spoke briefly in opposition to conirmation, while Senators Warren and Foster spoke at length for favorable ac-

tion on the nomination. PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS. WILL MAKE DIRT FLY

Names Sent to the Senate for Confirmation Today. The President today sent to the Senate the following nominations:

Navy-Chief engineers, with rank of lieutenant, to be chief engineers with rank of lieutenant commanders on retired list: Caleb E. Lee, Alexander V. Fraser. Charles H. Greenleaf, Rudolph T. Bennett, John J. Bissett, Henry C. Blye, Allen, David M. Fulmer, William L. Bailie, Charles F. Nagle, Robert D. Taylor, Robert Crawford.

Passed assistant engineers, with rank of lieutement (junior grade), to be passed assistant engineers, with rank of lieutenant, on retired list: Henry D. Sellman, Alexander H. Price, Joseph W. Greene, Daniel A. Sawyer, James W. Patterson, James G. Lettig, William G. McEwan, William H. Platt. Lieutenant to be a lieutenant commander: Gilbert S. Galbraith.

To be postmasters: Virginia-Archie W. Moses, Cambria: C. G. Duffy, Stonega. Maryland-Henry L. Arthur, Aberdeen. Interior-To be pension agent at Concord, N. H., Joab M. Patterson. Gen. Joab N. Patterson is a native of Concord, N. H., and is employed in the office of the auditor for the War Department in this city. He was formerly auditor for the War Department.

TAKAHIRA'S PRESENTATION. It Will Be Made With the Least Possible Delay.

That there is to be the least possible de-

Japan was indicated today in an early call at the State Department of Counselor

HIGH PRAISE OF HITCHCOCK.

Performance of His Duties Commended by the President. In accepting the resignation of Frank

campaign in the south, the President wrote the following letter: "February 15, 1908, 'My Dear Mr. Hitchcock:

take ten days for the Burnside to make tunity to thank you for the service you day in a discussion of the propriety of for intestinal trouble, is reported to be President looked sympathetic and gapert the committee a note to the War Departance of th the committee a note to the War Department requesting that a full report be
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Company in the eastern end of this city repair the break. Meantime, the Alaskan service, acting, of course, under the Postthat had not complied with the terms of Senator Clay of Georgia, who has been ment requesting that a full report be made to him. The committee desires the day. The governor will be a dinner principal damage being to machinery. One by the way of the Canadian telegraph master General. You were appointed to their grants in disposing of land. On ob-slightly ill of the grip, is still confined to because in his judgment you possessed the calendar.

prominent and peculiar qualifications. and you have more than made good his judgment. The officers of the postal service who have spoken to me have been a unit in the opinion that you have accomplished more for the improvement of the service than all of your predecessors. I congratulate you particularly on the part you have taken in the successful effort to secure legislation for the betterment of the conditions of all classes wireless dispatch has just been received of employes of the postal service, which here from the fleet of American battleships has been no unimportant factor in securing their earnest co-operation with the department in raising the standard of CEREMONY AT THE ARMORY Tuesday, 9:45 a.m., and says that at the postal service. You have been a hard that hour the vessels were 380 miles from and faithful worker for the good of the public and I thank you for it. Sincerely THEODORE ROOSEVELT. Representative Washington Gard-

"Hon. Frank H. Hitchcock, First Assistant Postmaster General."

HARRISBURG TRIAL.

Expert Witness Declares Contractor Sanderson Charged Less Than He Might Have Done.

HARRISBURG, Pa., February 18 .- Former Gov. Pennypacker will be called as finder for target practice for the big fleet. capitol conspiracy trial today unless the tive Washington Gardner of Michigan last lawyers change their plans. Mr. Penny- evening, the occasion being a somewhat packer was president of the board of grounds and buildings at the time former Auditor General Snyder and former State former Supt. Shumaker was its executive men, of the number of fifty or more. officer. He is to be called by counsel for who donated valuable prizes in the merthese three former officials to tell of their ago, when she arrived at Tocopilla, a relations with the capitol furnishing con-

"Whitewash" Letter.

fute the testimony of Stanford B. Lewis, pictures and numerous articles of merassistant to Architect Joseph M. Huston, Attorney General Carson was prepared at a conference between Pennypacker, Luther H. Reichelderfer, 1st Regiment Snyder and Lewis, and that it was intended to be a "whitewash" and dovetail into the letters written by others connected with the furnishing of the capitol. James Scarlet, chief counsel for the commonwealth, says he is prepared to give the former governor a rigid crossexamination if he shall attempt to justify Remarks by Representative Gardner the official acts of himself and the three former state officers on trial in the furnishing contract.

Sanderson Was Moderate.

before this afternoon, for when the trial was resumed this morning James Ste- istence, Representative Gardner remarked venson, a bookkeeper of Contractor John H. Sanderson, was recalled to explain the details of the furniture bills, invoices and ice had earned decorations. measurements. Sanderson's experts, who The speaker told of his experience in testified yesterday that instead of collect- the civil war and pointed out the essen-\$1.589.752, as he was entitled to under his Heed must be paid, it was declared, to contract, he collected only for 57,906 "feet," the physical side of military life, especialamounting to \$876,066, will be called later ly sanitation and food. Saying that a solfor cross-examination by the commonworld, returning to the tower. The height | wealth. Sanderson collected for the fur- in order to be able to shoot accur-

WATERS GOING DOWN

PITTSBURG IS PREPARING BIG COAL SHIPMENT.

PITTSBURG, February 18.-Over five million bushels of coal will be shipped J. Franklin Bell, inspector general of rifle from this city today and tomorrow to practice, District of Columbia militia, and southern markets. The shipments at this Capt. Thomas S. King, superintendent of time are made possible by high water in the rifle gallery and range. the river. At 8 o'clock this morning the stage here was seventeen feet and falling half a foot an hour. Evidence of the flood is fast disappearing and restoration rifle team; Berry-Whitmore team skirmpractice of promoting officers except by of normal conditions is looked for by to- ish match, 1st Regiment, National Guard, morrow. The damaged machinery in the District of Columbia; regimental team mills and manufacturing plants is being District of Columbia; battalion team repaired, and by the end of the week all match, 6th Battalion, National Guard,

Flood Crest Passes. GALLIPOLIS, Ohio, February 18 .- The crest of the Ohio flood passed here today, ment. a stage of forty-seven feet being reported. The river is full of the heaviest floating ice that has passed here since 1884. Pomeroy Point, Pleasant and Hen-

derson are partly inundated.

COL. GOETHALS SOON TO RE-TURN TO PANAMA CANAL.

Pleased with the work of his men, proud of his son who has just graduated as one of the honor men of West Point Military Academy, and pleased with everything in Col. Charles H. Ourand, Lieut, Col. Richgeneral, Lieut. Col. George W. Goethals, chief engineer of the isthmian canal, will soon shake the dust of the United States from his feet and hie himself away to the

balmy warmth of Panama. It is said that the colonel isn't one of those office engineers, but one of the overall kind. He wants to see what is going on, and figures that sitting in an Groome office and looking out of the windows doesn't keep the shovels turning dirt. He Capt. C. Fred Cook, Capt. William W. gets on the job himself. The men on the isthmus all like him, work hard for him, First Lieut. Wilson B. Evans, quartergo out of their way to please him, and master; First Lieut, Edwin H. Neumeyer, just because he is appreciative. He isn't a driver, he doesn't believe in trying to Chase, Second Lieut. James E. Leeman. move a derrick with one man, but does Second Lieut. Oliver C. Terry, Ordnance believe in working into the good graces Sergt. Joseph S. Cornish, Commissary of his employes and meet them more than

He doesn't believe in trying to do impossibilities or near impossibilities. He Private Lee Price, Private Henry Ridgetalked aganst the sea-level canal before ley. Private George Winsmore and Prithe committees of Congress, and told them that there wasn't enough money in the universe to pay for its building, nor was there time in this life to complete it for use. And so he goes back to turn a little more dirt and keep on preparing for the lock canal.

WILL REMOVE THE BLOCK. lay in the official reception of Baron Effect of the Confirmation of Col. Clayton (formerly captain). First Lieut

Wotherspoon.

Miyaoka of the Japanese embassy to Wotherspoon removes the block to promotake the first step in arranging the de- tions in the infantry arm which has ex- Sergt. Walter Mabin, Commissary Sergt. tails. These details include the sending isted since his nomination was sent, to Bernard P. Shields, Master-at-Arms First of a formal note to Secretary Root from the Senate early in the session. Gen. Class Harry J. Gorbutt, Sergt, William the embassy requesting information of Wotherspoon was a lieutenant colonel of F. Marlow, Sergt. Herman J. Schmidt, the President's pleasure in the matter, infantry, and his advancement to brigade (formerly sergeant), Private Phillip Allen. The President will fix a date and hour for rank was followed by the promotion of Private Walter Gaines, Private Andrew the reception; the President's carriage about a dozen infantry officers below the Gainor, Private Patrick H. Griffin, Priconveying a military aid will call at the rank of lieutenant colonel. All of these vate William M. Horton, Private James C. embassy for the ambassador and return subordinate nominations were confirmed Sargent, Private Harvey L. Supplee, Prihim there after he has been formally re- by the Senate several weeks ago, includ- vate Thomas J. Taylor and Lieut. A. B. ceived at the White House. The presen- ing that of Maj. F. B. Jones to be lieuten- Weir. tation will be made by Secretary Root. ant colonel vice Wotherspoon. In order Both the President and the ambassador to protect the interests of Gen. Wotherwill give formal expression to the ex- spoon in the event of his possible failure change of cordial sentiments, and these to be confirmed the Presient suspended speeches will be given to the public by action in the case of Lieut. Col. Jones, as well as in the cases of the other promotions hinging on that, with the result that the status of all the officers, includ-

erspoon nomination has been confirmed Senator Jeff Davis, and would reach here the original plans will be carried out and late tonight or early tomorrow morning. commissions will be issued to all the of-H. Hitchcock, who is to manage the Taft ficers who were advanced in grade. In forecaster said, "and conditions will be order that they may suffer no financial warmer tonight and tomorrow. loss the commissions in each case will be dated back to the time of the original vacancy. "I have received your resignation and Propriety of Resolution Questioned. wish to take advantage of this oppor- Some time was spent in the Senate to- sult of an operation performed yesterday

Distribution of Insignia and Other Rewards.

DISCUSSION OF THE SOLDIER

ner Presents Trophies.

WITNESS FOR THE DEFENSE AT Names of Winners of Rifle Practice Decorations. Prizes and Those

Receiving Service Medals.

The distribution of the insignia earned by members of the National Guard of the District of Columbia for qualification in small-arms practice during the season of 1907, the prizes won in the competitions on the rifle range last October, and service medals, was made by Representaelaborate ceremony in the drill hall of the Center Market Armory

There was a large gathering of guardsmen and guests. Of the latter those Treasurer Mathues were members and specially invited were the local business chants' match. The brigade band furnished music.

The many beautiful prizes were dis played on a large table covered with the national colors on one side of the hall, near the center. The large silver Mr. Pennypacker is also expected to re- cups bronze statues, medals, insignia, chandise were arranged in attractive manner.

> The guardsmen assembled shortly after 8 o'clock and reported to Lieut. Col. An exhibition guard mounting was given by Company G. 2d Regiment, Capt. Clarence V. Sayer. Licut. Col. Lloyd M. Brets adjutant general District of Columbia Militia, commanded "attention," after which Gen. Harries made a brief address introducing Representative Gardner,

The subcommittee on the District of Columbia of the House committee on appropriations has been forced by Gen. Harries to believe that the District National Mr. Pennypacker will hardly be called Guard is perhaps the most efficient and deserving organization of its kind in exin opening. He added that he was glad to meet the men of the command, especially those who by hard work and faithful serv-

> dier must be in perfect physical condition ately Representative Gardner led up to the assertion that rifle practice is the most important part of the training of a soldier. He then congratulated the winners of insignia on the fact that they had learned to shoot and to hit the mark.

> Winners of Prizes. The names of the winners and of those receiving insignia and service medals were called by Col. Brett. The prizes were presented by Representative Gardner. Assisting in the distribution were Maj.

The name of the winner of the first prize in each match follows: Figure of merit, Company K. 2d Regi ment; Mosher match. District of Columbia match, 1st Regiment, National Guard. the men thrown temporarily out of work will have resumed their positions.

District of Columbia; company team match, Company K, 2d Regiment, National Guard, District of Columbia. Cavalry trophies-Regimental match, 2d Regiment; battalion match, 4th Battalion;

company match, Company K, 2d Regi-Harries long-range match, Sergt. Given of Maryland; novice revolver match, Lieut, Clausel; Brett revolver match, Sergt. Ocker, 13th United States Cavalry; Carmody match, Sergt. Payne; novice match, Sergt. Bennett; Magruder match, Private Wade; Evening Star match, Lieut. McAnally; R. Harris & Co. trophy match, Capt. Sayer; N. R. A. medal Lieut, Alderman; senatorial trophy match, Sergt. Farrow; distinguished marksman's match, Lieut. Heidenreich; Gerstenberg

trophy match, Sergt. Powers; Frank R. Raymond aggregate medal, Sergt. Schriver; merchants' match, Private Atkinson, Recognition of Long Service.

Those who received tokens of recognition for service were: Twenty-year bar-Col. M. Emmet Urell, ard A. O'Brien, Maj. Arthur Brooks. Maj. Anton Stevans, Maj. Henry H. Parmenter, Capt. C. Eugene Edwards, Capt. J. H. Campbell, Capt. Samuel L. F. Piper, First Lieut. Charles A. Meyer and Color Sergt.

Young, Capt. Harry Walsh, Sergt. Bugler William Fox and First Sergt. Charles E. Ten-year medal-Maj. Frank L. Averill, Cookson, Capt. Harry Walsh, Charles E. Swigart, formerly captain and adjutant; jr., quartermaster; First Lieut. Will H. Sergt, William A. Dowling, Sergt. John P. Banes, Private Samuel F. Compton, Pri-

vate Daniel Dixon, Private Robert Hamill,

Nine-year bar-Maj. Joseph F. Hodgson

vate John P. Yenney.

Fifteen-year bar-Maj. Glendie

Capt. Alexander Summers, First Lieut. Louis H. Patterson, First Lieut. George P. Phillips, First Lieut. Arthur L. Kitchen, First Lieut. Douglass S. Bliss, First Sergt. Frank Forrester, Private II. Bassett and Private James C. Sargent. Six-year medal-Capt. Emil G. Schafer Capt. Alvin D. Hathaway, Richard B Edward M. Nevils, First Lieut. Harry E Burton, Second Lieut. Thomas S. O'Hal-The confirmation of Brig. Gen. W. W. loran, Second Lieut. Robert E. Moyer, Principal Musician Joseph R. Rabbitt Quartermaster Sergt, John H. Inzer, Color Corporal George A. Rowe, Louis Sachs

Storm Bowling Toward Washington. Gum shoes and umbrellas and other wetweather "fixin's" will be in order tomorrow if the forecast of Prof. Garriott of the weather bureau is verified. He stated this ing Gen. Wotherspoon, remained un- afternoon that an Arkansas rainstorm changed pending action on the Wother- was bowling along in the direction of the spoon nomination. Now that the Woth- District of Columbia from the home of "It will rain all day tomorrow," the

Sick Senators Recovering.

Senator Latimer of South Carolina, who is ill at Providence Hospital as the reresting easily today. His doctors say his condition could not be better under the

barracks located near Fort Constitution. guest tomorrow night at the French of the two buildings of the company was line via Dawson, which is conected with your position at Mr. Cortelyou's request jection of Senator Gallinger it went to his hotel, but is reported to be recovering rapidly today.